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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition is the soul of America. It provides a way for citizens to meet needs locally and promotes innovation to provide a better product, as well as keeping prices balanced. We are able to use a competitive DSL service which we can afford, through which we get both telephone and internet. The small business which provides this service does a great job and is local to our state. Please do not limit broadband competition. Citizens do not want to be forced into using only one or two providers, who can then rule the market and often will dictate higher prices and lower personal service, to the detriment of both the household consumer and small business customers and providers.

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